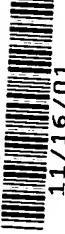


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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Applicants submit the references listed on the attached FORM PTO-1449, copies of which are enclosed. This statement is being filed simultaneously with the above-identified application.

Boppe discloses a surgical assistance and monitoring system. A plurality of subsystems of various types of equipment are integrated into one system. The system may assist a surgeon with a procedure based on a networked system. The system also may provide information regarding the patient's characteristics and past medical history (See Abstract).

The Examiner is respectfully requested to make this information of record in this case.

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